

RESOLUTION NO. 1193

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, AFFIRMING A TIMELINE FOR 2009 LEVY ACTION AND SUSTAINABILITY AGENDA FOR 2009

WHEREAS, the City Council at its 2009 Retreat discussed the size, scope, and plan for a 2009 Levy; and

WHEREAS, the Council determined there to develop a specific timeline for a Council-led public engagement process which would give the public the fullest amount of input feasible into the 2009 levy ahead of a levy package going to the voters; and

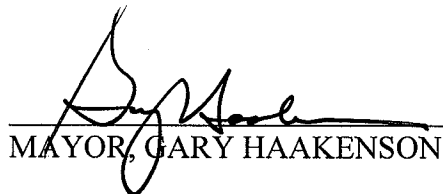
WHEREAS, the Council prioritized a specific set of action items it sought to accomplish this year related to sustainability and environmental policy which could be achieved by the end of the year without a significant expenditure of resources; now therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON,
HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

The City Council affirms its commitment to the 2009 Levy Timeline and the 2009 Sustainability Agenda.

RESOLVED this 17th day of February, 2009.

APPROVED:


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City of Edmonds 2009 Levy Timeline

January 12, 2009

How we got here

November: 7-0 Council vote to create a Revenue Work Group

December: 7-0 Council vote on budget note, making it the policy of the City of Edmonds to hold a levy vote in Nov 2009

January: Assignment of Committee responsibilities, including the "Levy Committee" with DJ Wilson, Ron Wambolt & Michael Plunkett

January

Develop & finalize timeline

Establish parameters of 'ask'

- Amount needed to fund:
 - o 100% of existing operations
 - o 100% of optimal operations
 - o Ending balance re-build policy options
- What are the items we're asking citizens to support?
 - o Largely taken from budget process
 - o Council to lead effort with KJ support

February

Affirm timeline & parameters at Council retreat

Council to call for the create of a Citizen Revenue Advisory Committee to "vet" ask
Revenue Work Group to begin crafting 2-3 options for funding, for instance:

- Parks only levy
- Parks and public safety levy
- General operations levy

March

Finalize 2-3 options for funding

Citizens Stakeholder Advisory Committee to begin meeting & orientation

April

Stakeholder Advisory Committee review work, options of Revenue Work Group

Internal multi-department vetting of options (City staff, union leadership, invited to comment)

May

Council to review work of Revenue Work Group

Stakeholder Advisory Committee to report to Council on options, preferences

Public hearings on levy options

June

Council to review work of Revenue Work Group

Public hearing on levy options

Determine Council "preferred option"

Determine funding options to pay for the November election itself

July

Public "Open Houses" on options to offer comments, concerns

Finalize levy

Final public hearing

August

Ordinance passed by end of first August meeting – due to County by Aug 11th

September

Presentation on impacts of the Levy to Council, for information purposes only?

October

Second presentation on impacts of the Levy to Council, for information purposes only?

November

Hold our breath

2009 City Council Sustainability Agenda

This agenda was developed at the 2009 Edmonds City Council Retreat. It outlines specific steps that the City Council commits to accomplishing in the 2009 calendar year.

1. Pass the Sustainability Element of the Comprehensive Plan.
2. Develop a comprehensive recycling plan for the City of Edmonds, both as a corporate actor and throughout the community
3. Development of a green "branded" identity of Edmonds, and the marketing of Edmonds as green destination
4. Look at building codes as pertains to heat, insulation and energy efficiency
5. Consider the banning of the use of plastic bags in Edmonds
6. Become an "Agenda City" with Cascade Land Conservancy